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23	corporation; and ORACLE INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION, a California corporation,	Case No. 2:10-cv-00106-LRH-PAL
	CORT ORATION, a Camornia corporation,	DEFENDANTS RIMINI STREET,
24	Plaintiffs,	INC.'S AND SETH RAVIN'S REPLY
25		IN SUPPORT OF THEIR
	V.	CONDITIONAL CROSS-MOTION
26	RIMINI STREET, INC., a Nevada corporation,	FOR RECONSIDERATION IN ANY
27	and SETH RAVIN, an individual,	NEW TRIAL
		Judge: Hon. Larry R. Hicks
28	Defendants	

Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP Rimini filed its conditional cross-motion solely to preserve the issues identified therein for reconsideration in the event of a new trial. Although Oracle has not moved for a new trial, the Court retains the authority to order a new trial *sua sponte*. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 50(b)(2) ("In ruling on [a motion made under Rule 50(b)], the court may: ... (2) order a new trial"); Fed. R. Civ. P. 59(d) ("No later than 28 days after the entry of judgment, the court, on its own, may order a new trial for any reason that would justify granting one on a party's motion."); *Murphy v. City of Long Beach*, 914 F.2d 183, 187 (9th Cir. 1990) ("The court's control over a trial is illustrated by the court's *sua sponte* power to grant a new trial on grounds not alleged by a party"). If the Court were to order a new trial, then Rimini respectfully requests that the Court also reconsider several rulings (which the course of this trial showed to be erroneous and prejudicial) in order to avoid these errors on retrial. If, on the other hand, the Court resolves the parties' post-trial motions without ordering a new trial, then Rimini's motion will become moot.

Oracle argues that it should "not have had to spend a single dollar drafting an opposition to" Rimini's conditional cross-motion because it will likely become moot. Dkt. 955 at 1. Oracle fails to mention, however, that Rimini *offered to stipulate* that Oracle would be required to respond to the conditional cross-motion only if a new trial were ordered. *See* Dkt. 956-1 ("If Oracle does not wish to prepare an opposition, Oracle could stipulate that the Court will reconsider all the issues Rimini identifies in the event a new trial is ordered, and that Oracle will address the merits of Rimini's arguments at that point"). In light of that offer, Oracle did not have to spend a single dollar responding to the conditional cross-motion. Oracle rejected the proposed stipulation, however, and thus any time and expense it incurred in preparing its response is its own responsibility.

On the merits, Rimini maintains that the rulings identified in its conditional cross-motion warrant reconsideration if a new trial is ordered. These rulings include: permitting Oracle to draw a parallel between Rimini and TomorrowNow, permitting Oracle to argue (without any evidence) that CedarCrestone was an infringing alternative, permitting Oracle to cast Rimini employees having nothing to do with the case as dishonest, preventing Rimini from introducing evidence relating to Rimini's post-2011 operations, and preventing Mr. Ravin from gaining access to certain highly confidential exhibits. Dkt. 916 at 2-3, 5. This improperly admitted (or, as to the post-2011 conduct,

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improperly excluded) evidence prejudiced Rimini by allowing the jury to include in its damages award perceived misconduct having nothing to do with the case, or alleged misconduct that had long since stopped. Oracle also improperly presented an inflated damages figure, in part through its belatedly supplemented expert report, and in part through Ms. Dean's improper, previously withdrawn testimony. *Id.* at 3-4. The prejudice was compounded by the fact that Rimini was not allowed to introduce any evidence on copyright misuse, which would have provided a complete defense to copyright infringement liability or at minimum mitigated the misperceptions created by the evidence improperly admitted or excluded at Oracle's behest.

The parties have briefed each of these issues in detail multiple times (*e.g.*, Dkts. 554, 561, 593, 625, 652, 695, 766, 767, 771, 773, 793, 799, 816, 838, 845), and Rimini incorporates those arguments by reference here. If the Court orders a new trial *sua sponte*, Rimini respectfully requests that the Court reconsider these extremely important issues, and permit the parties an opportunity to brief the issues in further detail at that time.

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